

Attorney Docket No. 14179US02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:

Ed H. Frank  
Richard Martin

Serial No. 10/658,514

Filed: September 9, 2003

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
NETWORK MANAGEMENT IN A  
HYBRID WIRED/WIRELESS  
NETWORK

Examiner: Not assigned

Group Art Unit: 2154

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is  
being deposited with the United States  
Postal Service as first class mail in an  
envelope addressed to: Commissioner for  
Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA  
22313-1450 on

2/11/04

Christopher C. Winslade  
Reg. No. 36,308

TRANSMITTAL OF  
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
AFTER APPLICATION FILING DATE

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**ENCLOSURES**

Enclosed are the following:

- \* A completed form PTO/SB/08A which has one (1) page. Four (4) patented references listed in the enclosed form PTO/SB/08A not previously provided to or by the PTO in this application.
- \* A copy of the International Search Report for the International application, No. PCT/US03/28337, dated January 23, 2004, corresponding to the above application.

## **FEE DETERMINATION**

\* No fee is believed to be due because:

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(e), each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign patent application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

## **FEE PAYMENT**

The following arrangements have been made to pay the fees calculated above:

\* No fee is believed to be due.

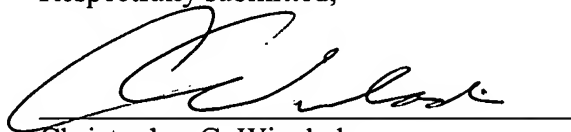
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which are presently required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 13-0017.

## **REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION**

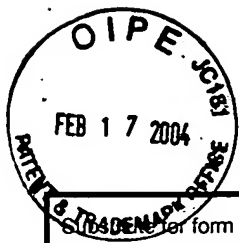
This paper and enclosures are believed to be entitled to consideration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, based on the facts stated above. The Examiner is requested to initial both copies of the enclosed PTO-1449 (modified) and return one copy to the applicants to indicate consideration of the enclosed references.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 2/11/04

  
Christopher C. Winslade  
Reg. No. 36,308  
Attorney for applicants

McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Ltd.  
34th Floor  
500 West Madison Street  
Chicago, IL 60661  
(312) 775-8000



PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

USPTO Form 1449A/PTO

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1 of 1

**Complete if Known**

Application Number	10/658,514
Filing Date	09/09/2003
First Named Inventor	Ed H. Frank
Group Art Unit	2154
Examiner Name	Not assigned
Attorney Docket Number	14179US02

**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initial*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Document Number Number-Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	A1	5,701,465	12/23/1997	Baugher et al.	Fig. 7a
	A2	5,751,708	05/12/1998	Eng et al.	Col. 4, lines 36-68
	A3	5,898,668	04/27/1999	Shaffer	Figs. 3, 5
	A4	6,049,549	04/11/2000	Ganz et al.	Fig. 6
	A5				
	A6				
	A7				
	A8				
	A9				
	A10				
	A11				
	A12				

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document Country Code <sup>3</sup> -Number <sup>4</sup> -Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T <sup>6</sup>
	A13					
	A14					
	A15					
	A16					
	A17					

**OTHER ART -- NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published
	A18	
	A19	
	A20	
	A21	
	A22	

EXAMINER SIGNATURE	DATE CONSIDERED
-----------------------	-----------------

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. <sup>1</sup>Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup>See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov) or MPEP 901.04. <sup>3</sup>Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). <sup>4</sup>For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup>Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard St. 16 if possible. <sup>6</sup>Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. Send TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1800-786-9199) and select option 2.